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We delivered reftel points to MFA Disarmament Deputy Director Ahmed Al-Shamawi May 15. Al-Shamawi said that Egypt has no plans to sign the Oslo draft treaty because the major cluster munitions-producing nations have not signed. Al-Shamawi said Egypt agrees with reftel point that language in Article 1(b) and 1(c) of the draft text will create barriers to multilateral military cooperation. He said that the MFA would not send any representatives to the May 19-30 Oslo Process negotiating session in Dublin, but that the MOD would send a few officers as observers only.

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